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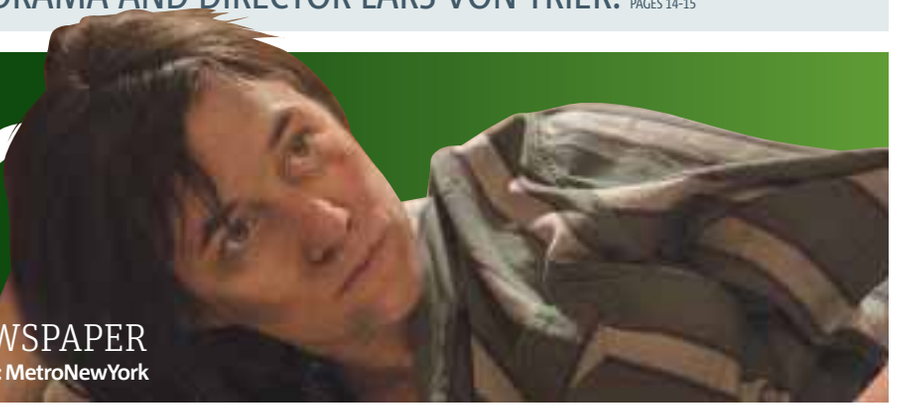

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NY Police Commissioner William Bratton attended a pre-Passover briefing to discuss how the police are beefing up security for the holiday.

New resource

Metro US launches special Metro Lawyer Directory

Metro US is proud to announce a new Metro Lawyer Directory appearing both in print and online at www.metro.us. The Metro Lawyer Directory is a quarterly section which will feature lawyer profiles as well as pictures to help Metro's readership of young, affluent urbanites find the local lawyer they might need. The first directory will be published April 24. If you're a lawyer and interested in being featured in this special opportunity, email NYClawyer@metro.us.

Visitors, at left, take in the view in 1964 from one of the observation towers at the New York State Pavilion. The ruins of the structure today, right, are home to stray cats. / BILL COTTER OF WORLDSFAIRPHOTOS.COM AND MARCO CATINI

New life for iconic World's Fair ruin

Anniversary. Preservationists are scrambling to save the New York State Pavilion.

A campaign to save the iconic New York State Pavilion, which hosted the 1964 World's Fair, has picked up momentum ahead of the site's 50th anniversary.

In the years since its construction, the pavilion has lain mostly dormant, an imposing ruin at the edge of Flushing Meadows Corona Park. Various campaigns to save it from disrepair have stuttered and stalled.

But this time around, two online fundraising campaigns, a documentary, resounding public opinion and the hearty backing of Queens Borough President Melinda Katz have all conspired to breathe new life into the movement.

"We're not the first to try and save it, but I don't think it's reached this point before, which is exciting," said Salmaan Khan, co-founder of volunteer preservation group People for the Pavilion.

People for the Pavilion launched a few months ago when Khan, who works for the similarly restoration-minded High Line, teamed up with Matthew Silva, who in February led a successful Kickstarter campaign to fund a documentary.

The film aims to tell the story of the pavilion's descent from its glory days to neglect.

Khan and Silva kicked off their campaign at the Queens Theatre in January and said about 200 people showed up — including Katz.

Katz has assembled a task force intent on preserving the structure and spoke last week on its grounds to announce a number of events over the next six months aimed at drawing the pavilion out of history and into the present.

"There isn't anybody I speak to about the World's Fair who doesn't have a story about it from 1964, and I think that's one of the greatest things about this commemoration," Katz said.

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Come and see

The pavilion will open to the public for the first time in decades on April 22, and it will be open again on May 18.

- The opening is being planned and managed by the New York State Pavilion Paint Project.
- Preserving the pavilion could cost between $43 million and $72 million, according to the Parks Department.

Bridging the gap

"Most New Yorkers recognize it, but most people don't really know what it is. We want to bridge that gap."
Salmaan Khan

Underground

A, C and F lines to undergo Sandy repairs

The Metropolitan Transportation Authority said on Tuesday that the A, C and F subway lines are slated to undergo repairs to undo ongoing damage related to Superstorm Sandy.

The MTA stands ready to spend an estimated $50 million to repair both the Cranberry tunnel, which carries the A and C trains, and F train's Rutgers tunnel.

MTA spokesman Kevin Ortiz said the work on the subway lines wouldn't start before the agency finishes its work with the R train's Montague tunnel in October.

Unlike the R train, the A, C and F trains would only shut down over several weekends.

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The F train line in Brooklyn would shut down on weekends for repairs. / AARON ADLER, METRO

New law

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Thousands of New Yorkers eligible for paid sick days

Less than two weeks after it was signed by Mayor Bill de Blasio, an expanded law making hundreds of thousands of New Yorkers eligible for paid time off went into effect Tuesday.

Enforcement falls to the Department of Consumer Affairs, which rolled out an outreach campaign to the almost 1 million workers in the city who are now eligible for paid time off.

The law applies to both part- and full-time employees, as well as any undocumented workers, who work more than 80 hours per year.

Depending on how much time the employee accrues, any business with five or more workers is required to give their employees up to five days off at their hourly pay rate.

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Upper East Side

Man found dead in apartment

Police are investigating the death of a 53-year-old man who was found stabbed inside his Upper East Side apartment on Monday.

Hector Rossy was found by responding officers inside 328 E. 85th St. #5A at 7 p.m.

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Fly. Pterosaur exhibit opens this weekend

The new dinosaur exhibit will open this weekend. / AMERICAN MUSEUM OF NATURAL HISTORY

A new exhibit is soaring into the American Museum of Natural History this weekend.

"Pterosaurs: Flight in the Age of Dinosaurs" showcases prehistoric flying reptiles, which could be as large as a two-seater plane or as small as sparrows.

Relatives of dinosaurs, pterosaurs are the first back-boned animals to evolve powered flight, according to the museum.

The new exhibit includes a motion sensor-based interactive that allows visitors to steer two species of pterosaurs. Life-size models and videos are also incorporated.

Dozens of casts and replicas of fossils also will be on display at the exhibit, including the remains of an unknown species of pterosaur discovered in Romania two years ago.

The exhibition, running from April 5 to Jan. 4, 2015, will be the largest about pterosaurs ever displayed in America.

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Transit

Enhanced service for M8, Q31 and Q77 buses

Restored and enhanced service is coming to some bus routes in Manhattan and Queens this weekend, the Metropolitan Transportation Authority said Tuesday.

On Sunday, weekend service will be restored on the M8 bus in lower Manhattan and the Q31 bus, which runs between Bayside and Jamaica. Sunday service will begin on the Q77 bus, running between Laurelton and Jamaica.

The changes are part of more than $7.9 million to be invested throughout the city this year for service enhancements. Since 2012, the MTA has invested more than $30 million into New York City Transit through a service-enhancement program. **ANNA SANDERS**

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NY teen accepted to all eight Ivy League schools

Higher learning. The student will have his choice of top schools to attend.

A Long Island high school student who had hoped to be accepted into an Ivy League school has his pick of all eight prestigious institutions.

Kwasi Enin, a student at William Floyd High School in Mastic Beach, has been accepted to all eight Ivy League schools, an achievement that his guidance counselor calls "extraordinary."

"It's a big deal when we have students apply to one or two Ivies. To get into one or two is huge," Nancy Winkler told USA Today.

Acceptance rates range from 14 percent at Cornell to only 5.9 percent at Harvard, according to USA Today.

Enin ranks No. 11 in his class of 647 students. He scored 2250 out of a possible 2400 points on the SAT, and he will have taken 11 Advanced Placement courses by the time that he graduates.

He also sings in the school's acapella group and is a volunteer at a hospital.

The senior told USA Today that he decided to apply to all of the schools because they each had qualities that he liked.

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Harvard University
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Explosion

East Harlem blast evidence goes to D.C.

Sections of at least four utility lines have been collected from the scene of the explosion in East Harlem for testing in Washington, D.C.

Investigators from the National Transportation Safety Board announced that the team tasked with finding the cause of the blast that killed eight people on March 12 has finished gathering evidence.

"The investigation now pivots to Washington, D.C., as investigators test sections of pipe secured from the scene and conduct other investigative activities, such as examining leak surveys and maintenance records for the gas main on Park Avenue," the agency said on Monday.

A preliminary report released by the investigators reported that sections of gas and water pipes were on their way to NTSB laboratories.

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Citi Bike tax break proposed

Cycle city. New legislation would have bike share riders rolling in tax benefits.

The plan would make Citi Bike tax deductible for commuters. / AARON ADLER, METRO

Sen. Chuck Schumer announced Tuesday that he was pushing to make the cost of Citi Bike and other bike share programs tax deductible for commuters.

He will introduce the tax exclusion in an amendment to the Senate's tax bill, set to be debated on Thursday. If the bill passes, workers with employer-provided Citi Bike memberships will be able to exclude $20 a month from their income for tax purposes.

Under the proposal, commuters could effectively get a discount on the $95 annual Citi Bike membership, even if the cost doubles.

The amendment would make bike share commuting costs eligible for the transportation fringe benefit in the Internal Revenue Code.

"It makes no sense for cars, trains, buses and private bicycles to be covered by this program but not bike shares," Schumer said in a statement.

A spokesperson for the NYC Bike Share commended Schumer for bringing forth the legislation.

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The bike share has about 100,000 annual members.

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Covered. Obamacare enrollment exceeds 7 million sign-up target

President Barack Obama said the enrollment of 7.1 million people for coverage under his signature health care law serves as a rebuke to its critics, including Republicans who repeatedly have tried to repeal it.

"The Affordable Care Act hasn't completely fixed our long-broken health care system, but this law has made our health care system a lot better," Obama told an audience of administration officials, lawmakers and other supporters in the White House Rose Garden. "The debate over repealing this law is over."

The tally of those who signed up for coverage by the midnight close of the open enrollment period doesn't include all figures from 14 separate state exchanges on the final day or people who started the process and weren't able to finish because of website outages or technical difficulties.

Administration officials said on Tuesday the late surge in enrollment helped the program reach 7 million registrants. / GETTY IMAGES

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"Change is hard. Fixing what's broken is hard. Overcoming skepticism and fear of something new is hard. ... But this law is doing what it's supposed to do."
Obama

The 7 million enrollees matches the initial estimates for insurance sign-ups under the law that were scaled back after technical flaws with the federal website when it went online in October.

The Congressional Budget Office in February projected that 6 million people would enroll.

Obama said there will be more stumbles and that all the flaws in the health-care system haven't been fixed.

He said opponents are criticizing "without offering any plausible alternative." **BLOOMBERG**

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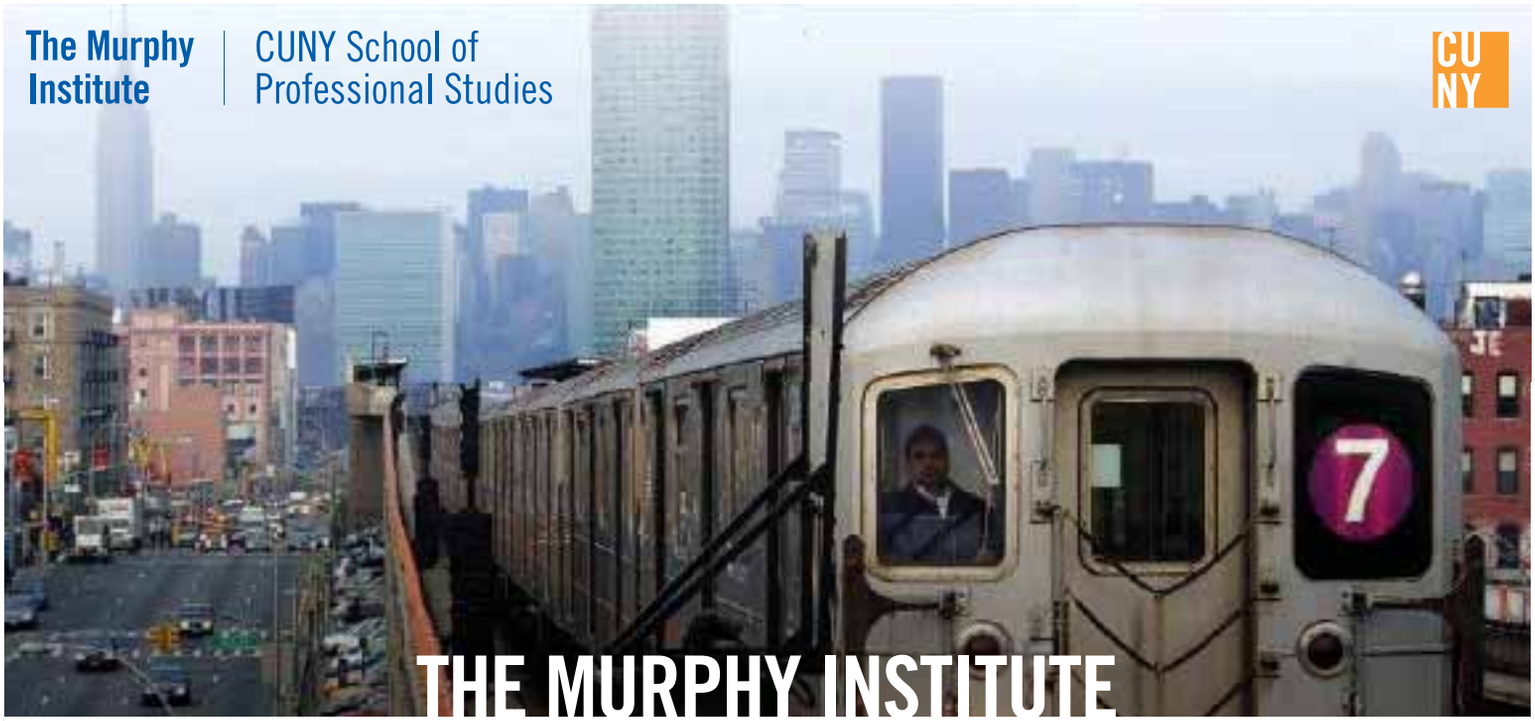

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The last words from the cockpit of a missing Malaysian jet were a standard "Good night Malaysian three seven zero," Malaysian authorities said, changing their account of the critical last communication from a more casual "All right, good night."

Malaysia on Tuesday released the full transcript of communications between the Boeing 777 and local air traffic control before it dropped from civilian radar in the early hours of March 8 as it flew from Kuala Lumpur to Beijing.

The correction comes as Malaysian authorities face heavy criticism, particularly from China, for mismanaging the search, now in its fourth week, and holding back information. Most of the 239 people on board were Chinese. **REUTERS**

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"The transcript was initially held as part of the police investigation."

Hishammuddin Hussein

Sources say

New iPhone 6 screens to enter production as early as May

Apple Inc., suppliers will begin mass producing displays as early as May for the next iPhone, expected to be launched this autumn, with a 4.7-inch screen likely to be produced first while a 5.5-inch version could be delayed, supply chain sources said.

Japan Display Inc., Sharp Corp. and South Korea's LG Display Co. Ltd. have all been tapped to manufacture the screens, said the sources. **REUTERS**

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Newspaper reports CIA misled us on interrogation

A man holds a poster accusing the CIA of torture. / GETTY IMAGES

On the defense. Some CIA officials have privately described the study as marred by factual errors.

The Central Intelligence Agency misled the U.S. government and public for years about aspects of its brutal interrogation program, hiding details about harsh treatment of detainees and other issues, the Washington Post reported.

U.S. officials who have seen a Senate Intelligence Committee report on the CIA interrogation program described damning new information about a network of secret detention facilities, also called "black sites," the Washington Post said.

At the "black sites," prisoners were sometimes subjected to harsh interrogation techniques even when analysts were sure they had no more information to give, said the report, which the Post noted was based on interviews with current and former U.S. officials.

The files describe previously undisclosed cases of abuse, including the alleged repeated dunking of a terrorism suspect in tanks of ice water at a detention site in Afghanistan. The method bore similarities to waterboarding but never appeared on any Justice Department-approved list of techniques, the Washington Post said.

Officials also said that millions of records show that the CIA's ability to obtain the most valuable intelligence information, including tips that led to locating and killing Osama bin Laden in 2011, had little, if anything, to do with "enhanced interrogation techniques," the newspaper said.

Some CIA officials described the study as marred by errors. REUTERS

Osama bin Laden
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The Intelligence Committee is responsible for oversight of the CIA. It completed the 6,300-page draft report on the interrogation program more than a year ago, but it remains classified.

Defamation

Bombing victim sues Glenn Beck

A Saudi Arabian national who was injured in the bombing attack on last year's Boston Marathon has filed a defamation lawsuit against television commentator Glenn Beck for publicly accusing him of being the "money man" behind the attacks.

Beck, a conservative television and radio personality, repeatedly criticized the federal investigation into the attacks, and in May 2013 claimed that Abdulrahman Alharbi had financed the attacks.

Alharbi had been questioned after the attack but "it was quickly concluded that Mr. Alharbi had no involvement in the attacks," the filing said. REUTERS

Florida-bound

Plane makes emergency landing in Jamaica

Jamaica airport authorities on Tuesday were investigating the emergency landing of a Florida-bound JetBlue airliner that was forced to return to the Caribbean island on Monday night after reports of a smoke odor onboard.

The flight was headed to Fort Lauderdale from Norman Manley International Airport in Kingston but returned to Jamaica 15 minutes after takeoff, JetBlue officials said on their website.

The U.S. Federal Aviation Administration said the crew reported smoke in the cockpit. REUTERS

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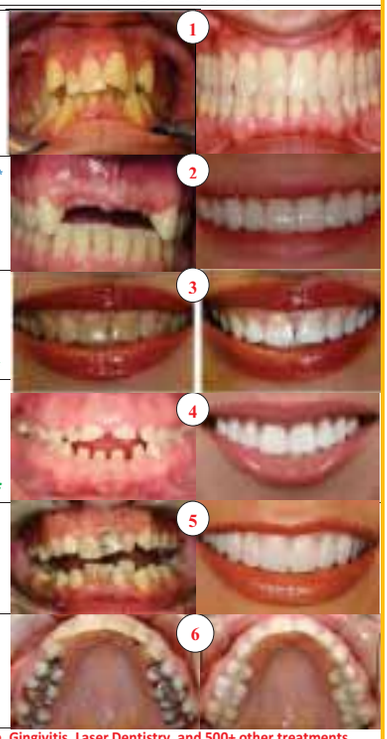

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Testimony. GM CEO: Cost factor in ignition fix delay 'disturbing'

General Motors CEO Mary Barra prepares to testify before the full House Energy and Commerce hearing room. / GETTY IMAGES

General Motors CEO Mary Barra, under intense grilling by members of Congress, on Tuesday said she found employee statements "disturbing" that cost considerations may have discouraged the prompt replacement of faulty ignition switches now linked to 13 deaths.

Barra, whose testimony was being delivered under oath before a House Energy and Commerce subcommittee, announced that GM had retained Kenneth Feinberg as a consultant to gauge possible responses to families of those injured or killed in crashes involving the recalled cars.

This was the first time that any GM official has hinted at the possibility of a victims' compensation fund, as many consumer groups and Democrats are urging. REUTERS

Vehicles recalled

2.6M

Since February, GM has recalled 2.6 million vehicles due to concerns about ignition switches that unexpectedly turn off engines during operation and leave air bags, power steering and power brakes inoperable.

Fiscal plan

GOP budget proposes cuts in domestic programs

U.S. Rep. Paul Ryan, the leading Republican voice on budget policy, rolled out a new fiscal blueprint that calls for deep cuts in domestic programs, increased defense spending and a goal of erasing annual deficits in 10 years.

Ryan's budget, called the "Path to Prosperity," has almost no chance of passing the Senate but is expected to serve as a campaign manifesto for Republicans in November's congressional elections.

It proposes to kill President Barack Obama's 2010 health care reforms and revive cuts in social programs such as the popular Medicare entitlement for the elderly that Ryan, who chairs the House Budget Committee, has proposed in other recent budgets. REUTERS

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NATO suspends its work with Russia over crisis in Ukraine

The defense alliance. Russia warned Ukraine against integration with NATO.

Russian soldiers unload military trucks at Ostryakovo railway station, some 20 km from the Crimean capital Simferopol. / GETTY IMAGES

NATO suspended all practical cooperation with Russia on Tuesday in protest at its annexation of Crimea, and ordered military planners to draft measures to strengthen its defenses and reassure nervous eastern European countries.

Foreign ministers from the 28-nation, U.S.-led alliance were meeting for the first time since the Russian occupation of Ukraine's Crimea region touched off the worst East-West crisis since the Cold War.

NATO Secretary-General Anders Fogh Rasmussen said Russia's actions meant there could be no "business as usual."

"So today, we are suspending all practical cooperation with Russia, military and civilian," he told a news conference.

German Foreign Minister Frank-Walter Steinmeier said NATO's future relationship with Russia would depend, among other things, on whether Russia started withdrawing troops from the border.

Ministers also ordered military commanders to draw up plans for reinforcing NATO's defenses to shore up confidence among the alliance's eastern European members, including former Soviet republics in the Baltics, that NATO is ready to defend them. REUTERS

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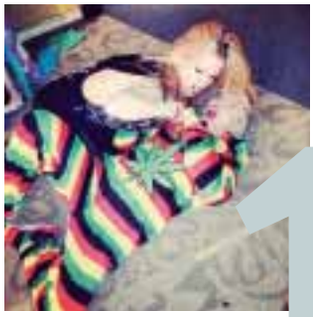

Our favorite online April Fool's joke came from an unlikely source yesterday: The Instagram account of Avril Lavigne. In a series of photos and one video, the Canadian singer argued with Miley Cyrus and got into a full-on brawl. "Oh hey Miley, I'm actually the most famous person in Canada," Lavigne tells Cyrus, who's reading about the punk singer. Cyrus, wearing a full-on Rasta onesie with a cannabis leaf, retorts, "I may not be Canadian, but I'm the most famous person in Canada!" Fighting ensues!

The gossip behind Elliott's exit from ABC

Is this the last week Josh Elliott will co-anchor "Good Morning America"?

It was announced on Sunday in a rare internal memo that after weeks of intense negotiations, Elliott will be leaving the top-rated morning show to go to NBC Sports.

The scuttlebutt is that Elliot was looking for big bucks — he reportedly wanted to take his salary up to around $8 to $10 million from his yearly paycheck of $1 million. ABC was offering him around $5 million.

According to TMZ, he was so "disgusted" by the offer (anchor Robin Roberts reportedly pulls in around $14 million) that he decided to take a $2 million cut to go to NBC Sports, who reportedly is only paying him around $3 million. Yes, we said "only." Poor Josh Elliott.

"We have been negotiating with Josh these past several months. In good faith, we worked hard to close a significant gap between our generous offer and his expectations," said Ben Sherwood, president of ABC News, in a statement.

Amy Robach, who recently underwent a double mastectomy and chemo after being diagnosed with breast cancer, will replace Elliott.

TMZ.com says ABC is happy with the new setup. "He's definitely an abrasive guy," a source told the site, with another one stating, "People hated him."

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Theater. ‘If’ not for Idina Menzel, ‘Then’ it wouldn’t survive Bway

If not for its stars, then the new musical “If/Then” might never have made it to Broadway. Former “Rent” co-stars Idina Menzel and Anthony Rapp are popular enough to get butts in the seats, but is fan loyalty enough to keep the show open once the reviews come in?

The plot follows 40-something Elizabeth (Menzel), who has to choose between two friends on a fateful day in Madison Square Park. When she goes one way, it brings her to marriage and family; when she chooses the other, she winds up professionally successful and romantically fraught.

It begs the question of whether a woman can have it all. Could the shallow inspection of this tired premise have something to do with the all-male creative team: director Michael Greif, composer Tom Kitt and book writer/lyricist Brian Yorkey?

Different nicknames (Liz and Beth) and a pair of glasses (that our heroine has to mysteriously don in one universe) are meant to help us keep track of the muddled storylines.

The score lacks memorable melodies and eventually blurs together during the nearly three-hour show. If anything, the songs are strongest because of some surprising comedy in the lyrics. If only the entire show could live up to its strategically placed F-words!

The set, while it creates some lovely tableaus, fails to utilize the space or add to the story. The mirror that sometimes serves as a roof cuts the story in half rather than doubling it. Vertical space is not used very well, and never concurrently with the floorboards. It’s almost as if designer Mark Wendland couldn’t take on the whole picture at once, which is disappointing in a generous Broadway house.

So while the leads are strong — including LaChanze as outgoing lesbian Kate, plus relative newcomer James Snyder as the ill-fated love interest — it’s really the creative team that lets this show down. With a stronger message and more respect for the audience, this concept could have guaranteed itself a long stay at the Richard Rodgers Theatre. But that’s another reality, and sadly not the path this production chose to take.

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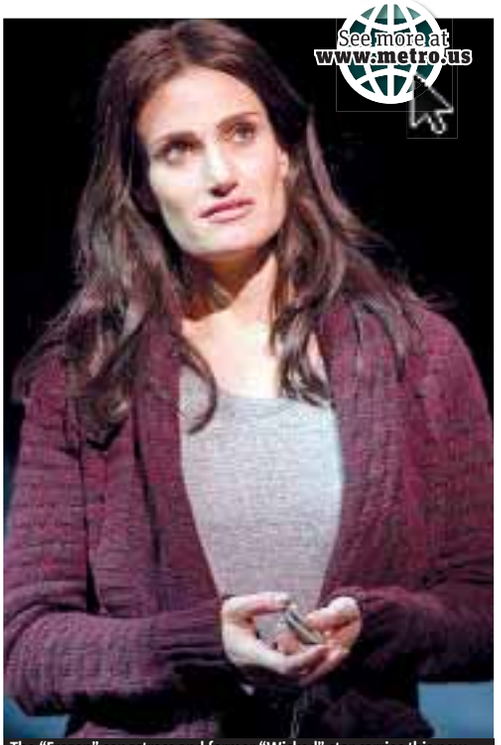

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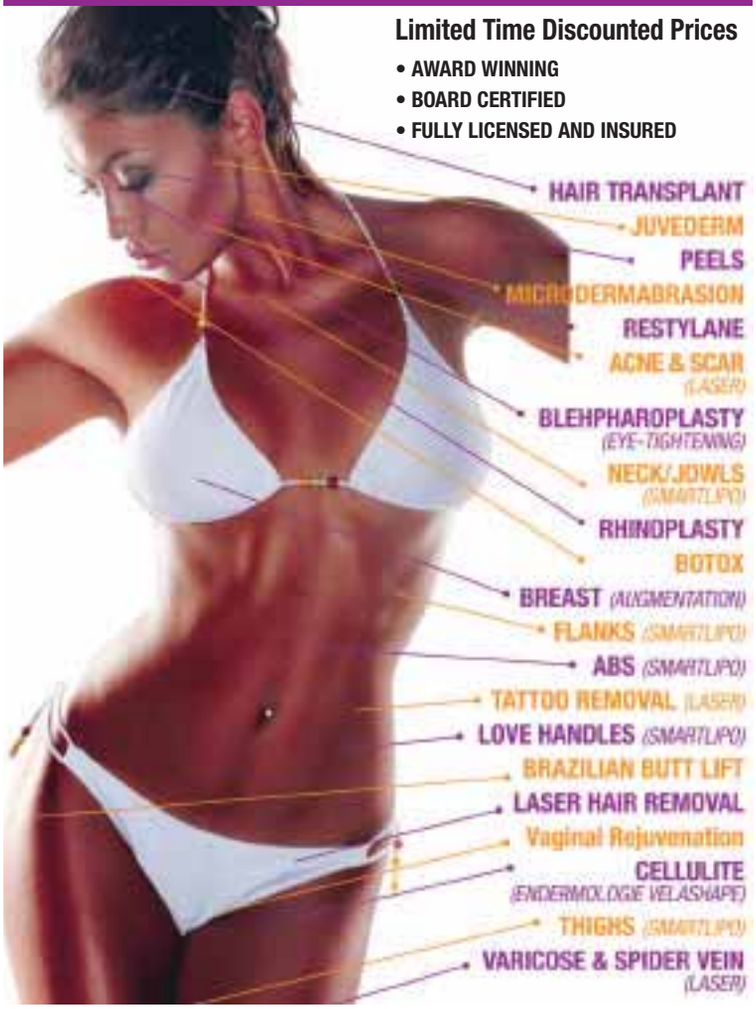

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CHARLOTTE GAINSBOURG

The "Nymphomaniac" star swears Lars Von Trier is a nice guy.

THE ROUGH STUFF

Charlotte Gainsbourg is the daughter of musician Serge Gainsbourg, with whom she recorded the hit single "Lemon Incest" when she was 13. Lars Von Trier has nothing on him. The actress has starred in all three parts of the director's "Depression Trilogy," including "Antichrist," "Melancholia" and the new "Nymphomaniac," whose second volume comes out Friday. Though she spends most of the film talking in a room with Stellan Skarsgard's recluse — and Stacy Martin handles the younger scenes — she still had to do some of the film's notorious (though sanitized) rough stuff.

You had already done two films with Von Trier before this. Were you even shocked when he asked you to do his sex film?
He told me, in his provocative way, "It's a porn film, but you've never talked as much as you'll talk in my next film." That was the whole summary of the film. He said, "I want the two actors I love the most to be those two characters."

Q&A: Just talk

Was getting to the present day scenes, where you're just talking to Skarsgard, a relief?
Once I had done all the action stuff I thought, "I've done the hardest part, now it's going to be talk, talk." But the talking part was the most difficult. ... We had to get information in, we had to use [the actual script's] words, and it had to be very specific.

Was it strange essentially doing an entire other movie with just one other actor in a room?
[Skarsgard] was the most wonderful companion to have this complicity with. We were really on the same wavelength and the same difficulties of, very stupidly, remembering lines. It was like being in school — just memorizing. By the end I had the words under the covers trying to hide them everywhere.

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ters." So I'm very flattered to be part of his "family troupe."

Was any part of you reluctant?
I was nervous because of the subject, because of the extremeness of it. But I admire [Von Trier] too much to be too cautious. Just before the film started I was losing someone very dear to me, so I said to Lars, "I can't do your film." It was one week before it started. And he said, "You can't do this to me." And then he was so sweet, because he knew how much it was costing me. He was holding my hand throughout the shoot and he was generous and it was very sweet.

Stacy Martin gets the bulk of the heavy stuff in "Volume I," but you take over in "Volume II," when things get bad for your character, Joe. What was that like?
The masochistic part was the most intense for me because it was humiliating — but at the same time exhilarating. That was puzzling for me, to want to be there but at the same time feel so embarrassed. He does put you in bad positions, but he's accompanying you and he's not just observing and making you do stuff and enjoying himself. He's there with you. Sometimes I felt that if I were suffering or going through something painful he was experiencing it with me.

Some of it looks pretty unpleasant.
It's just a film. Of course it's so intense and you believe you're there, in a bad state that lasts for a few minutes. That's why I enjoy it so much. There is a little masochism on my part, I'm sure. I think every actor has it more or less. I've done a comedy and I thought, "What a pleasure, to just have fun." In every film when you have to go through emotional scenes it's suffering. It's part of the deal.

Quoted

"I admire [Von Trier] too much to be too cautious."

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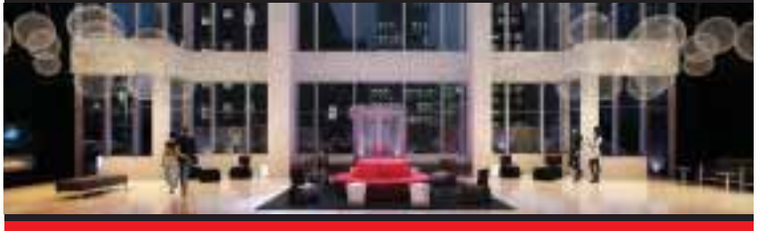

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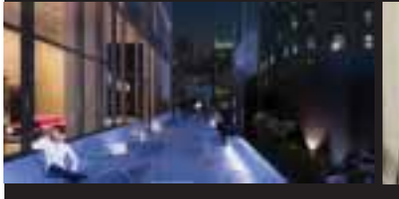

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Things you didn't know about Joseph Altuzarra

Need to know. Fashion designer Joseph Altuzarra is full of surprises, just like his clothes.

Joseph Altuzarra's designs are downright sizzling, with va-va-voom lace-up velvet-and-leather sheaths and skirts slit up to there. So it's a little funny to find out that he started his insouciant, sexy label for … his mom.

"Twenty years ago, if you were a 55- or 60-year-old woman you were confined to wearing your Chanel tweed suit," he explains. "But I was witnessing through my mother that women in their 50s and 60s still want to be seductive and sexy."

Here, a few more surprises:

He took ballet for nine years

Altuzarra not only studied dance from the time he was 5 until he turned 14, he credits it with sparking his interest in clothing. "My earliest fashion memory is going to the ballet when I was 5 or 6," he tells us. "The most exciting thing was going backstage and seeing the costumes. There was a piece of tulle lying on the ground, and I took it with me. I still have it in a scrapbook somewhere."

He was born in Paris but prefers the States

And he doesn't think American women are hopelessly frumpy in comparison. "French women can learn from Americans' ease and pragmatism," he says. "And American women wear a lot more prints. I love that."

Three spring essentials for women, according to Joseph Altuzarra: an Oxford shirt, a button-down skirt and a pair of mules. / SIMON CAVE

He canceled his first appointment with Anna Wintour

When Altuzarra launched his label in 2008, he got a rare opportunity to show his first collection to Anna Wintour. One problem: "I was flying back from Paris with a suitcase full of my first collection … which got lost the day before I was supposed to meet her." He had to call and postpone, but met up with the famed Vogue editor a week later. "I was totally terrified."

Paying his dues

He didn't study fashion

Altuzarra actually majored in art history at Swarthmore College, outside of Philadelphia. "It was sort of through art history that I became really interested in fashion imagery," he says. He learned design on the job, first as an intern at Marc Jacobs, then apprenticing with a patternmaker before moving back to Paris to work at Givenchy. "I know they had asked an intern to alphabetically organize the résumés," he says when asked how he snagged the Jacobs job. "So I was at the top of the pile and was the first one called."

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Randy and Stan Marsh get in on the action in the game "South Park: The Stick of Truth." / UBISOFT

New releases. 'South Park' gets its own fighting game

Turn-based RPGs are the bread and butter of video games. And bread and butter are comforting, filling — and occasionally accused of being boring and stale. But come on! Bread rules. Butter rules. Turn-based RPGs rule. Let's review some recent releases.

'Final Fantasy X/X2 HD'

System: PS3/Vita
Maker: Square Enix

It's July 2001. People are listening to bands with strange names like Train and Lifehouse, and watching Oscar-worthy performances in "Scary Movie 2." People are also playing a lot of "Final Fantasy X" on PS2. The 10th in the series was a huge hit, selling almost seven million copies.

Now it's back! Square Enix has put together a polished HD remastering of the original, along with its sequel. If you loved FFX back in the day, you'll love this. It looks great, and they didn't skimp on modern accoutrements (trophies, touch-screen integration, etc.) New players will also fall in love. It's classic turn-based FF. The voice acting still sucks though.

'South Park: The Stick of Truth'

System: Xbox 360/PS3
Maker: Ubisoft

Ever wanted to play an interactive, 20-hour episode of "South Park"? Of course you have. "South Park: The Stick of Truth" is not only a fantastically lewd and creative video game, it's a fine episode of television.

It looks, sounds and feels exactly like an episode of "South Park." The gameplay, however, is straight-up RPG. You wander around town and fight myriad enemies, including homeless drunkards, Nazi zombie dogs and, of course, Al Gore. The writing and voice work are so strong that it's as much fun to watch as it is to play. About the only knock you can give it is a lack of replay value. Once you find everything, that's pretty much it.

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When spring cleaning, don't forget the pantry

Eat right. Learn what to toss when overhauling your cabinet.

This year, don't just wipe the windows and scrub the shower — start developing better eating habits by adding the pantry to your spring cleaning list.

Registered dietitian Sharon Richter has been helping New Yorkers live healthier for 10 years.

"[The pantry] is a great place to kind of refresh, see what's in there, and make sure that everything is current and that there are healthy options," she says.

Expired foods are an obvious target for cleaning, but making sure that the other food in the cupboard is healthy can also lead to better eating. Removing foods with high fructose corn syrup, hydrogenated oils and MSG should also be a spring cleaning goal.

"I always say, look at the ingredients and see what's in there," Richter says.

With bad foods gone, healthier options can take their place. Richter recommends foods like wholegrain cereals and dried fruit with no added sugar.

"I'm big into the raw nuts," Richter says. "Pistachios are great because they take a long time to eat, instead of just shoving a handful in your mouth."

These foods can also replace those common vending machine items that get you through the long work day, but might not be so healthy. She recommends portion-controlled snacks "so when you open the cabinet, you've got something to grab."

But don't just throw those new foods anywhere. Richter says placing nutritious options right up front makes healthy eating easier. Organizing and arranging the cabinet, an important part of spring cleaning, can be a big help in keeping your hands out of the box of cookies.

"Have those grab-and-go things right in the forefront," Richter says. "Put the things that might be a little less healthy, like the cookies, in the back so they're not what your eye sees."

Also, being organized might trick your brain into eating right.

"Try and categorize things so it's not such a mess," Richter says. "Like, put all your cereals together. When it looks more appealing, you're more likely to go back and use it."

This can also lead to new ways of snacking.

"You might have forgotten, 'Oh, I have couscous, that's an option I can make,'" Richter says.

Best of all, starting at the pantry opens up even more avenues of spring-cleaning.

"Don't just go to your cabinets," Richter says. "Also go to your freezer and look at what's there. Putting ice cream not in the forefront, maybe having healthier options, getting rid of meats that have freezer burn [can all help]." With these tips, you'll be spring cleaning your way to a healthier diet.

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You don't need to get fancy glass jars for everything — but you should try to group like items. / POLKA DOT

Quoted

"Put the things that might be a little less healthy, like the cookies, in the back so they're not what your eye sees."

Sharon Richter, registered dietician

Health notes

Happy birthday!

SYNC Studio (133 S. Second St., Brooklyn, 718-438-4725) is celebrating its first birthday with a sweet deal for you — a free class every day for the entire month. There's also an open house on April 12, which will have free classes all day.

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Shake it like Beyonce

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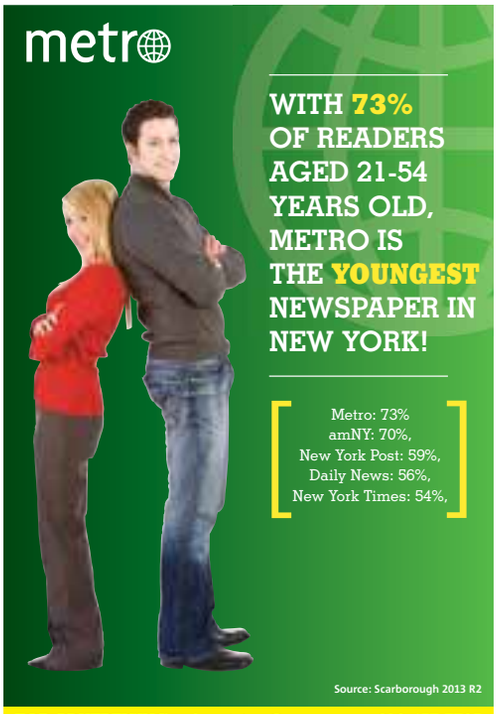
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Amanda's almost to the finish line. / AMANDA ART

T-minus one month until our wedding. The invitations are out, the reply cards are coming back and we're down to the "fun stuff" — sampling cakes, choosing the food for the reception and finalizing the music.

The last few months have flown by, and I know May 3 will be here before I know it.

I've come a long way since the beginning of the year. As I've said before, it hasn't been easy; some parts of this process have been really hard, and some things actually are more difficult now than they were a few weeks ago — namely finding enough time to devote to working out.

But there have also been victories, both big and small. Getting below 200 pounds felt huge and kept me motivated. Now, I've just crossed the 20 pound mark — I keep thinking to myself, "20 pounds! That's great!" I'd like to get to 30 by the start of May, but if I don't, I've already done so much that I didn't think I could.

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Other wins: My clothes don't fit. When I started, I was wearing size 18 or 20 pants. Now, they literally fall off. I went shopping last week and was pleasantly surprised that the skirt I bought wasn't XXL, or even extra large — it was a large. That hasn't happened in a decade.

I also feel so much healthier. Working out and eating right have become part of my daily life. I still crave sweets, but I'm able to avoid them. The days I go to the gym, I feel better than the days I don't. Who knew that the Queen of Laziness would feel this way?

Once the wedding is over, I won't be done. I have a lot more weight I'd like to lose. Another 30 pounds? 25? Is it realistic? We'll see.

My father, stepmother and two of my brothers haven't seen me since last summer. I'm pretty sure they'll notice a difference.

Progress report

Starting stats
(as of Jan. 29)

Weight: 209.5 pounds
Body Mass Index: 36
Chest: 48 inches
Waist: 41 inches
Hips: 48.5 inches

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(as of April 1)

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♉ Taurus | April 21-May 21. Some personal relationships are due for a change. If you are being pressured, separate yourself from those who don't have your best interests at heart.

♊ Gemini | May 22-June 20. Follow your instincts when dealing with money. Luck and opportunity will enable you to make some lucrative changes.

♋ Cancer | June 21-July 22. Be firm in your beliefs. Those who care for you will be in your corner. Ignore anyone who tries to talk you out of something.

♌ Leo | July 23-Aug. 22. Keep your business dealings professional. Don't risk your career by getting romantically involved with a co-worker.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23-Sept. 22. Put your moneymaking ideas to good use. You can make improvements to your business plans if you keep your emotions out of the equation.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23-Oct. 22. Seek advice from trusted friends before signing a contract. You could face consequences if you don't have correct information.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23-Nov. 21. Well-meaning friends may try to lead you down a different path. Remember that you are responsible for your future.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22-Dec. 21. Someone will try to take credit for your ideas. Be careful to keep your plans a secret until you know who is on your side and who is not.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22-Jan 20. A relationship with someone is likely to bewilder you. Take time to examine your feelings and to consider motives.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21-Feb 18. Fight depression and make positive improvements in order to relieve stress. You cannot force others to see things your way.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19-March 20. Use your creative abilities to make your projects stand out. Let your personality shine and you will reap sweet rewards.

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Sudoku: Easy and hard

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Fill in the grid so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Letters

Puzzling way to start school day

The crosswords are so much fun. I love going into my ninth grade homeroom every morning figuring out a new puzzle — it's so intriguing! Whoever makes these puzzles, bravo! Keep them coming and make them harder every day!

TELIA STEVENS, VIA EMAIL

We need care, not insurance

Plain and simple: We need more health care, not more insurance. The Affordable Care Act is not going to solve the health care crisis in the U.S. Health care will still be unaffordable because of high premiums, co-payments, deductibles and out-of-pocket-costs, just as it was before this act. The insurance companies will continue to make enormous profits with an increasingly complex bureaucracy, mountains of paperwork and million-dollar salaries for their directors. The Affordable Care Act is not positive reform and cannot control costs. It is long, confusing and so complicated that I don't think anyone has been able to read and understand the entire act. Our health care system is still broken and people are suffering and dying.

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Across

1 Rains ice pellets
6 Gather leaves
10 Sen. — Glenn
14 Adventurer — Quatermain
15 Mr. Trebek
16 Kind of rug
17 Chili pepper dip
18 "Holy cow!"
19 Show appreciation
20 Theatrical
22 Sedgwick of film
23 Unfrequented
24 Actress – Hagen
26 Pollen-bearers
30 Outstanding
34 Surfer slang
35 Finely sharpened
36 Baton Rouge sch.
37 Stoltz or Clapton
38 Request urgently
40 Dit partners
41 Vane dir.
42 Gull's perch
43 Night sky streaker
44 Nutty confections
46 Where Dresden is
48 Trendy meat
49 Casino city
50 Board imperfection
53 Conspicuous
59 Jumps on one foot
60 Soup du —
61 Laconic
62— spumante
63 Seine tributary
64 Take the dais
65 Twig shelter
66 Diner sandwiches
67 Tent dweller

Down

1 Greasy-spoon fare
2 Jai —
3 Misfortunes
4 Wear well
5 Growled
6 Synthetic fabrics
7 Flared garment (hyph.)
8 Military cap
9 Performed
10 Wild dog
11 Paris airport
12 Eavesdrop
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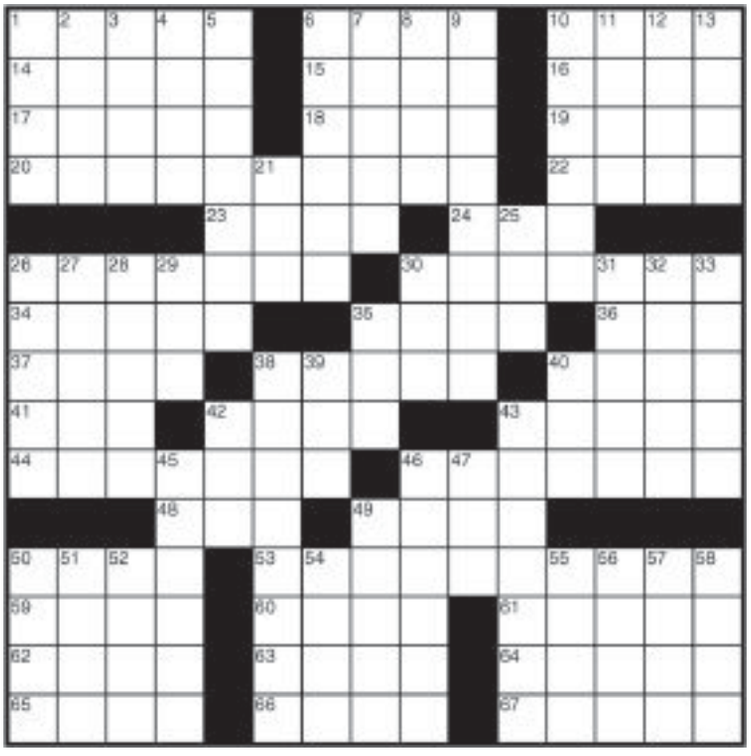

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Parnell hits DL with torn elbow tendon

MLB. The Mets' closer will wait before determining whether he needs season-ending elbow surgery.

Bobby Parnell was supposed to be the linchpin of a suspect bullpen for the Mets. / GETTY IMAGES

One day after Mets closer Bobby Parnell blew his first save opportunity of the season on Opening Day, the team has announced he has a partial tear of the MCL in his right elbow.

Parnell underwent a platelet rich plasma (PRP) injection in his elbow and will rest for two weeks.

"After this rest period, he will commence a throwing program, the outcome of which will determine whether elbow surgery will be required," the Mets said in a statement.

Mets starting pitcher Jeremy Hefner also had a partially torn MCL in his throwing arm last season and ended up requiring Tommy John surgery. He will miss all of the 2014 season.

If Parnell requires surgery, he would be done for the season.

Parnell, who usually throws in the high 90-mph range, was noticeably down in velocity Monday. He allowed two hits and a walk, plus the game-tying run in the ninth inning.

The likely replacement for Parnell will be Jose Valverde, who was signed as almost an afterthought in the offseason. But Valverde pitched well in spring training and earned a spot in the bullpen. He was the lone bright spot in the Mets bullpen on Opening Day. He pitched 1 1/3 innings, allowed no base runners and struck out three of the batters he faced.

Valverde was closer for Arizona, Houston and Detroit in his career. He led the league in saves three times (2007, 2008, 2011) and has 286 saves in his career.

Parnell, 29, was in his second year as the Mets' full-time closer. He had 22 saves and a 2.16 ERA last season. He struck out 44 batters in 50 innings.

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He's back

Farnsworth called up

New York just can't get rid of him.

Mets pitcher Kyle Farnsworth was called up from Triple-A due to Bobby Parnell hitting the DL with his arm injury.

Farnsworth, who pitched for the Yankees from 2006 to 2008, was signed to a minor-league deal this spring, but he did not make the 40-man roster. **METRO**

Familiar face

Mets sign Bobby Abreu

Also in the Yankee retread category, the Mets signed Bobby Abreu to a minor-league deal Tuesday.

The 40-year-old outfielder nearly made the Phillies this spring, with a .404 on-base percentage. **METRO**

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Watch online

Find video and recap of Tuesday night's Yankees-Astros season opener at: **Metro.us/sports.**

The Masters. Woods will not compete at Augusta due to back

The biggest name in golf will miss its biggest event.

Tiger Woods announced on Twitter Tuesday that he will miss the 2014 Masters after undergoing surgery on a pinched nerve in his back.

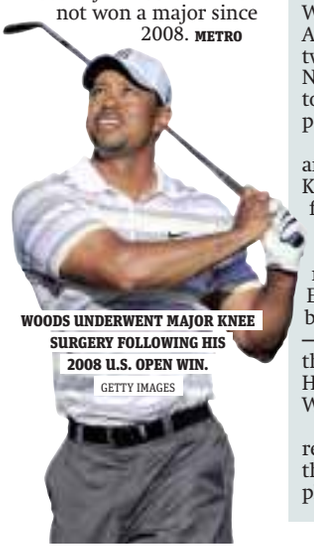
Woods has been battling back problems the last few months and pulled out of the Honda Classic in early March in the middle of the fourth round.

He played a week later, but aggravated the injury.

"After attempting to get ready for the Masters, and failing to make the necessary progress, I decided, in consultation with my doctors, to have this procedure done," Woods said in a statement. "I'd like to express my disappointment to the Augusta National membership, staff, volunteers and patrons that I will not be at the Masters. ... It also looks like I'll be forced to miss several upcoming tournaments to focus on my rehabilitation and getting healthy."

Woods can begin training again in three weeks, but it looks likely he could miss a few months.

He is a four-time winner of the Masters, most recently in 2005. He has not won a major since 2008. **METRO**


WOODS UNDERWENT MAJOR KNEE SURGERY FOLLOWING HIS 2008 U.S. OPEN WIN. GETTY IMAGES

Interborough rivals

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Knicks, Nets meet at the Garden

When the NBA schedule came out last year, few thought Wednesday's early April meeting between the Knicks and Nets would be critical to one making the postseason.

But while the Nets are sitting pretty, the Knicks (32-43) are fighting for their playoff lives.

They sit in the ninth spot in the East, one game behind the Hawks — though two in the loss column. The Hawks host the Bulls Wednesday night.

All eight of the remaining games for the Knicks are against playoff teams. **METRO**

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NBA power rankings | by James Toscano

No. 1

Spurs (58-16)

Make it 18 straight wins for this annual powerhouse. Every single year they find themselves at the top of the Western Conference and after a blowout win in Indiana on Monday, it looks like that'll be the case again when the regular season wraps up at the end of this month. Tony Parker had 22 points in the big victory over the Pacers.

No. 2

Thunder (54-19)

What's the best way to watch the team in front of you in the standings lose? By beating yourself. The Thunder can do just that to the Spurs Thursday.

No. 3

Clippers (53-22)

Whether it's Blake Griffin, Jamal Crawford, J.J. Redick or Danny Granger injured, the Clips just can't stay healthy.

No. 4

Heat (51-22)

The Heat are back in the position they've grown so fond of over the last three seasons, the top of the East. They've got six of their final nine at home.

No. 5

Rockets (49-23)

The Rockets are dealing with injuries to Dwight Howard and Patrick Beverley. Beverley's injury won't require surgery.

No. 6

Pacers (52-23)

The Pacers woke up Tuesday morning to find themselves in second place in the Eastern Conference behind the Heat.

No. 7

Warriors (45-28)

It sounds crazy to think about, but there really is a chance the Warriors could actually miss the playoffs.

No. 8

Blazers (48-27)

LaMarcus Aldridge returned three games ago with the Blazers struggling after a three-game losing streak. They've won three straight.

No. 9

Bulls (42-32)

The Bulls are officially the team that nobody in the East wants to play once the postseason begins.

No. 10

Suns (44-30)

Come on Phoenix, if you want to make the playoffs you can't be losing to the Lakers. It's that simple.

No. 11

Grizzlies (44-30)

The last two games of the Grizzlies' season are against the Suns and Mavericks. Well done, schedule maker person.

No. 12

Raptors (42-32)

The Raptors have two tough tests this week at home against the Rockets and Pacers, but finish the season with six games against non-playoff teams.

No. 13

Mavs (44-30)

There are nine teams in the West fighting for eight spots, and Dallas could be on the outside looking in.

No. 14

Nets (39-33)

The Nets are 12-4 in their last 16 games, all without Kevin Garnett. Garnett missed his 17th straight game Tuesday night.

No. 15

Wizards (38-36)

Head coach Randy Wittman called his team "selfish" after blowing a lead to the Bobcats and failing to clinch a playoff berth.

No. 16

Knicks (32-43)

Twitter "officially" ended the Knicks season last week with a loss to the Lakers, but the fact is they're just one game out of a playoff spot.

No. 17

T'Wolves (36-37)

T'Wolves? What T'Wolves? It's time to focus on the Twins! (Man, it kinda sucks to be a sports fan in Minnesota, eh?)

No. 18

Pelicans (32-42)

Why is Anthony Davis playing through a bum ankle? Somebody? Anybody? You know he's the franchise, right?

No. 19

Nuggets (32-42)

Four straight losses have put them 10 games below .500 this season. Things are bad if Timofey Mozgov is taking game-tying 3s.

No. 20

Hawks (32-41)

They snapped a six-game losing streak because they played the Sixers. Expect more losses with games against the Bulls and Pacers.

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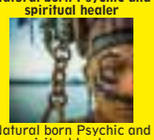

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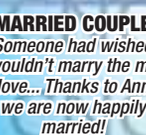

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Sullivan County is designated as the place of trial on the grounds that the premises, which is the basis for this action, is located in Sullivan County and more particulary described as a portion of Town of Liberty Tax Map Parcel No. 35-2-14.1.

Dated: Monticello New York
November 4, 2013

Yours, etc.,
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In this action Plaintiff seeks judgment pursuant to New York Real Property Actions and Proceedings Law Article 15 against the Defendants, that the Defendants, and every person claiming under them, be barred from all claim to an estate or interest in the real property at issue (a portion of Town of Liberty Tax Map Parcel No. 35-2-14.1, as described in the Verified Complaint), and that it be adjudged and finally determined that Plaintiff is vested with an absolute and unencumbered title in fee to said premises and entitled to the immediate possession of same, together with the costs and disbursements of this action, and such other, further and/or different relief as to this Court may just and proper under the circumstances

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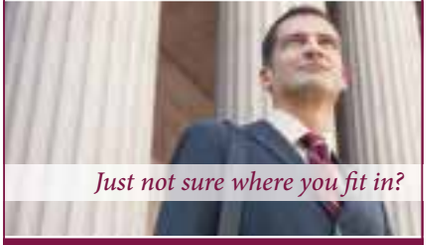

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